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In re Application of

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PETER JANSSEN ET AL

US010236

Serial No. 09/853,940

Group Art Unit: 2674

Filed: May 10, 2001

Examiner: Abbasi Abdulsalam

HIGH PERFORMANCE REFLECTIVE LIQUID CRYSTAL LIGHT VALVE USING A MULTI-ROW ADDRESSING SCHEME

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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL  
OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CRF 1.181a

Sir:

This Petition is in response to a Notice of Abandonment dated 14 January 2004 (copy attached).

Abandonment of the above-identified patent application is alleged on the grounds that Applicant failed to timely file a proper reply to the Office Letter mailed on 24 April 2003. The Letter also states that no reply has been received.

To the contrary, a one month extension and an amendment responding to the Office Action dated 24 April 2003 was transmitted by facsimile to the Patent Office on 25 August 2003 (as evidenced by the attached copy of the amendment, the extension and the fax cover letter) and were in fact received by the Patent Office on 25 August 2003 (as evidenced by the attached copy of a Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the U.S. Patent Office).

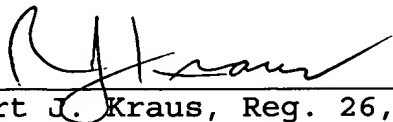
Further, contrary to the statement in the Notice of Abandonment that no reply has been received, the amendment with the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission dated 25 August 2003 was re-transmitted on 12 November 2003, at the request of the Patent Office (as evidenced by the attached copy of a facsimile transmission cover sheet, a locally generated confirmation of the transmission and an Auto-Reply Facsimile transmission from the U.S. Patent Office), all dated 12 November 2003. This was done at the request of Examiner Abdulsalam in a phone conversation with the undersigned attorney on 11 November 2003, when he asked that we fax to him a copy of the response previously faxed on 25 August 2003. This phone conversation was itself in response to a phone message left for the undersigned attorney by Examiner Abdulsalam on 7 November 2003 and asking if this application is being abandoned.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of the erroneous holding of abandonment is respectfully requested.

Please charge any fee required for this Petition to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

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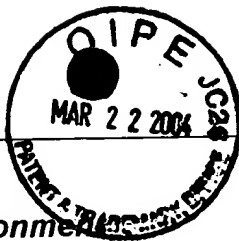
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# Notice of Abandonment

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This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 24 April 2003.
  - (a) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.  
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
  - (c) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
  - (d) ☒ No reply has been received.
2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$\_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
  - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
  - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☐ The reason(s) below:

  
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